

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3430 - SB 3657

March 5, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes certain employers to qualify as a seasonal employer for the purpose of unemployment insurance benefits. Defines multiple terms including, but not limited to, "seasonal employer", "seasonal wages", and "seasonal worker". Defines the maximum amounts of benefits that seasonal workers are eligible to receive, which are dependent upon the worker's seasonal wages and non-seasonal wages.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$1,000,000/One-Time/General Fund

**Decrease State Expenditures –
\$2,227,700/Recurring/Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund**

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DLWD) and the Office of Information Resources, one-time computer programming by a contracted vendor will be required to implement the provisions of this bill. One-time state expenditures are reasonably estimated to exceed \$1,000,000.
- According to DLWD, this bill will result in more disqualifications for unemployment benefits.
- DLWD estimates 585 claimants will be disqualified who would have received an average weekly benefit amount of \$224 for an average duration of 17 weeks. A recurring decrease in state expenditures from the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund of \$2,227,680 (585 claimants x \$224 benefit amount x 17 weeks).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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